UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE at CHATTANOOGA

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| Defendant. |) | |
| MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of Social Security, |))) | |
| V. |))) | Judge Mattice |
| Plaintiff, |) | Case No. 1:08-cv-292 |
| JEFFREY R. WHITSON, |) | |

<u>ORDER</u>

United States Magistrate Judge William B. Carter filed his report and recommendation pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72(b). [Court Doc. 15.] Neither party filed objections within the given 14 days.

After reviewing the record, the Court agrees with Magistrate Judge Carter's report and recommendation. The Court thus **ACCEPTS** and **ADOPTS** Magistrate Judge Carter's findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations pursuant to § 636(b)(1) and Rule 72(b).

Accordingly, Plaintiff's Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings [Court Doc. 11] is **DENIED**. Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment [Court Doc. 13] is **GRANTED**. The Commissioner's denial of benefits is **AFFIRMED** and the instant action is **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**. The Clerk shall close the case.

SO ORDERED this 23rd day of February, 2010.

/s/Harry S. Mattice, Jr.
HARRY S. MATTICE, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE